

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the Application:

1. (Original) A semiconductor integrated circuit connected to an external processor comprising:

a memory which stores data;

a terminal which connects the memory with the processor;

an information generation circuit which generates production information about the semiconductor integrated circuit; and

B3 a write circuit which writes the information into the memory before the semiconductor integrated circuit starts normal operation.

2. (Original) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 1, wherein the write circuit writes the information into the memory after the semiconductor integrated circuit is reset.

3. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 1, wherein the write circuit writes the information into the memory when a command from the processor ends.

4. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 1, wherein the write circuit writes the information into the memory when a sleep state of the semiconductor integrated circuit is released.

5. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to any claim 1, wherein the memory is a cache memory being accessed by the processor.

6. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 1, further comprising:

a register which receives address data of the area where the information is written, from the processor, and ~~stores wherein the write circuit writes~~ the address data into the memory.

7. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 1,

wherein the production information comprises at least one of a production history and a manufacturer's name of the semiconductor integrated circuit.

8. (Original) A semiconductor integrated circuit connected to a combination of an external memory and a processor comprising:

a terminal connected to the external memory;

B₃ an information generation circuit which generates production information about the semiconductor integrated circuit; and

a write circuit which writes the information into the external memory through the terminal before the semiconductor integrated circuit starts normal operation.

9. (Original) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 8, wherein the write circuit writes the information into the external memory after the semiconductor integrated circuit is reset.

10. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 8,

wherein the write circuit writes the information into the external memory when a command from the processor ends.

11. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 8,

wherein the write circuit writes the information into the external memory when a sleep state of the semiconductor integrated circuit is released.

12. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 8, further comprising:

a register which receives address data of the area where the information is written, from the processor, and ~~stores~~ wherein the write circuit writes the address data into the external memory.

13. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 8,

wherein the information comprises at least one of a production history and a manufacturer's name of the semiconductor integrated circuit.

B₃ 14. (Currently Amended) A semiconductor integrated circuit having a built-in processor comprising:

a memory which is connected to the processor and stores data;

an information generation circuit which generates production information about the semiconductor integrated circuit; and

a write circuit which writes the information into the ~~external-memory through the terminal~~ before the semiconductor integrated circuit starts normal operation.

15. (Original) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 14, wherein the write circuit writes the information into the memory after the semiconductor integrated circuit is reset.

16. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 14,

wherein the write circuit writes the information into the memory when a command from the processor ends.

17. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 14,

wherein the write circuit writes the information into the memory when a sleep state of the semiconductor integrated circuit is released.

18. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to any one of claim 14,

wherein the memory is a cache memory being accessed by the processor.

19. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 14, further comprising:

B3 a register which receives address data of the area where the information is written, from the processor, and ~~stores~~ wherein the write circuit writes the address data into the memory.

20. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 14,

wherein the information comprises at least one of a production history and a manufacturer's name of the semiconductor integrated circuit.